

REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action, Applicant cancels Claims 1 and 9 to obviate the rejections. Claims 4-6 have been amended to change their dependency to Claim 2. Because Claims 2-4, 6-7 and 10-12 have been allowed by the Patent Office, this amendment places all of the remaining claims, 2-8 and 10-12 in a full condition for allowance.

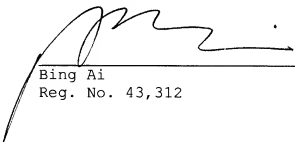
Applicant, however, respectfully disagrees with the rejections to Claims 1, 5 and 9 and the grounds for the rejections in the Final Office action for at least the reasons stated in Applicant's prior response dated November 1, 2006. Cited portions in Ito and Wetherell as stated in the Final Office Action fail to support the rejections in the Final Office Action.

In view of the above amendment to claims, the application is now in a full condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully requests an official notice of allowance to issue at an early date.

Please apply a fee of \$225 for an extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action and any outstanding charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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